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A MEMORIAL

RECOGNIZING THAT THE ANCIENT MACEDONIANS WERE HELLENES AND THAT
THE INHABITANTS OF MACEDONIA TODAY ARE HELLENIC DESCENDANTS AND
PART OF THE NORTHERN PROVINCE OF GREECE, MACEDONIA.

WHEREAS, Philip of Macedonia, his son, Alexander the
Great, and his tutor, Aristotle, were born and raised in the
northern province of Greece, Macedonia; and

WHEREAS, the language and culture of the ancient
Macedonians, the ancestors of the inhabitants of northern
Greece of today, were Hellenic; and

WHEREAS, the Macedonians, like the rest of the Hellenes in
antiquity, believed in the twelve gods of Olympus and
participated with their fellow Hellenes in the Olympic games;
and

WHEREAS, Pella, the palace where Alexander the Great was

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1 born, and Vergina, the burial site of the Macedonian kings, are
2 all located in northern Greece; and

3 WHEREAS, the history of ancient Macedonia has been
4 Hellenic for the last three thousand years and continues to be
5 today;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
7 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO that the ancient
8 Macedonians were Hellenes and that the inhabitants of the
9 northern province of Greece, Macedonia, are their Hellenic
10 descendants; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
12 transmitted to the Pan-Macedonian association.